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- 3. We rejected these charges, and expressed regret at the unilateral decision of the Chinese side to cancel the 135th meeting. We have always considered these meetings useful and valuable.

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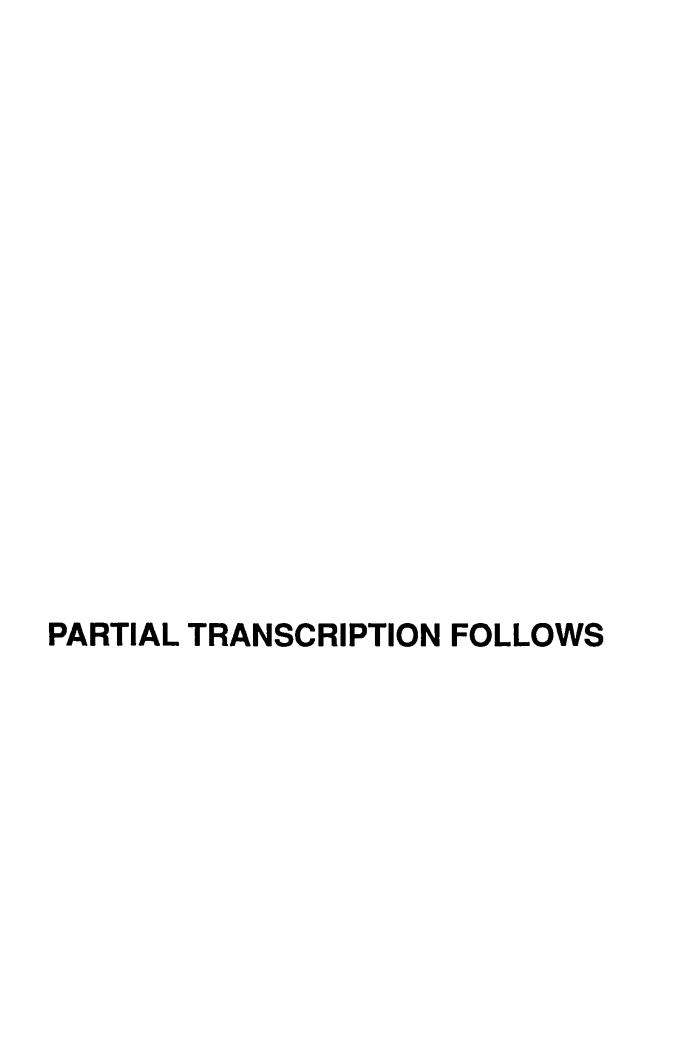
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